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TITLE OF INVENTION: SYSTEM AND METHOD OF IP PACKET FORWARDING ACROSS DIRECTLY CONNECTED FORWARDING ELEMENTS

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